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1. The community of Podmocane is composed of the following villages: Podmocane, with 148 families; Grncare, with 136 families; Raice, with 32 families; Kurbinove, with 52 families; Pretor, with 48 families; and Asamati, with 37 families. Most of the population of the community is Orthodox except for a few Moslem families in the villages of Grncare and Asamati.
2. The chairman of the community is Zivko Kurbinski, the administrative officer is Mite Maizevski, and Mite Sharkovski is an employee of the community council. The political secretary of the 26-member Communist Party cell in Podmocane is Hristo Kocovski and the leader of the 15-man militia unit is Sergeant "Borken".
3. The collective in Podmocane was established in 1946, but in February 1949 it had only 20 members. In February 1949 all of the peasants were forced to join the collective. In September 1951 the collective had five work brigades, about 650 sheep, 160 cattle, and one Yugoslav Zmaj threshing machine. In 1950 the working members of the collective received 27 dinars per day, which was the lowest salary in the Resan district.
4. The following are employees of the collective: Krume Ristovski, chairman; Lazar Ivkovski, manager; Kico Kusakovski, accountant; and Milan Maidanovski, warehouse supervisor.
5. In the Podmocane area all of the peasants, including the Communists, were forced to steal grain and fruit from the fields in order to survive. In the fall of 1951, several persons were caught stealing and received prison sentences of six to eight months.

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